GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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TALKS WITH HURRIYAT LEADERS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to hold talks with the leaders of the Hurriyat Conference;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the progress made so far in this regard; and

(d) the main objectives for holding talks with the Hurriyat leaders?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a)to(d): The Government is committed to having dialogue with all groups and different shades of opinion in the state on a sustained basis in consultation with the democratically elected State Government whenever needed. On two earlier occasions, the Government had held talks with the Hurriyat then led by Maulana Abbas Ansari. The Government hopes that the dialogue with all the groups in the state will lead to the resolution of the outstanding issues relating to Jammu and Kashmir.